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The average daily circulation of the Barre Daily Times for the week ending Saturday was

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copies, the largest paid circulation of any daily paper in this section.

At any rate, C. W. Morse has had the benefit of a sea voyage.

It is a narrow and a Strait path that the American fleet is now going through.

No, said but true, Theodore Roosevelt never was the "dumpling lightweight" while at Harvard. Thus does the spirit of attack of the president continue.

Beats all how this name, Bryan, pops up recently. A little while ago it was William J. (No. 2) in the Senate, and now it is Acting Public Printer Bryan, in place of Stillings, removed.

It need not be told in a whisper that a White River Junction physician has just been fined \$400 for a first offense of furnishing an illegal prescription whereby a "patient" might obtain liquor. That is one way the local option law works.

Those Rutland milk dealers who raised the price of their product recently are said to be already crying over split milk, because the consumers have curtailed their purchases to a great extent; they are even considering the proposition of going to a lower price.

A little effort now and then does wonders, as we learn from the Springfield Republican in the following: It was necessary to close the Paris opera house 25 days to clean it, and exactly three tons of dirt were taken out—the number of bacilli can only be computed. But those who attended the recent reopening declare that the place looks at least a century newer, and the grime has been cleared off the fixtures so that they really yield light. The acoustic properties of the auditorium are also said to be greatly improved by the removal of the heavy barrier between orchestra and stalls.

## A LABOR OF NECESSITY.

The tremendous amount of labor connected with moving a newspaper plant causes a publisher to think twice before making a change of location; but when the shortage of space makes the demand imperative, he gracefully submits to it and prepares for the Herculean task. So we may take it that the Hardwick Gazette, because of its increasing plant, found the demand for a change imperative, else it would not have moved to new quarters in the Way building on Main street in its town. That the paper is now better fitted for accommodations goes without saying, as the quarters have been thoroughly remodeled, and a cement and granite foundation has been laid for the Gazette's Cottrell press. The Times congratulates its neighbor that "the worst is over," but, to be real felicitous, we should also wish that the expansion of his plant may force Publisher Appolt to move again.

## WOODSTOCK REDEMITS ITS REPUTATION.

Woodstock as a town of health is defended by the Woodstock Spirit of the Age (would that the publisher might see fit to shorten the name!) with some statistics of longevity during the year 1907. This was found necessary by the criticism that there were more deaths



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than births during the year. The contemporary proves conclusively that the excess of deaths is due to the dropping off of the old-timers, for of the 44 deaths 24 were of persons more than 60 years of age, in the following proportion: five over 90, seven between 85 and 90, two between 80 and 85, eleven between 70 and 80, and nine between 60 and 70. The average of the total was 64 years. So it is to be presumed that contagion and diseases do not have a very great hold on Woodstock, as the greater proportion of deaths was due to the wearing out of human organisms by reason of age—something which no climate can combat.

Thus does the contemporary establish the fact that its community is worthy of the reliance placed on its sources of health and happiness. However, the fact remains that the vital statistics of 1907 show a decline in population, or at least a tendency in that way, inasmuch as the birth rate was lower than the death rate. That certainly is unsatisfactory. But we are satisfied as to Woodstock's reputation as a healthful town.

## CURRENT COMMENT.

## New Man Wanted.

Hon. Allen M. Fletcher has withdrawn from the governorship contest and has thereby shown his wisdom and loyalty to the people. The assumed call of the Proctor campaign is just a little hard for the people to hear. A new man with a definite policy and the skill to make it go would do much to help the lieutenant-governor. Better get to work and hunt out a candidate and give him a real "call."—Gruen Times.

## "Not Easily Led Astray."

The state of Vermont has maintained her reputation for conservatism and belief in her moral institutions by an increase of a million and a half dollars in the savings deposits of the savings banks and trust companies during the six months from July, 1907, to January, 1908, as shown by the semi-annual reports furnished by the banks to bank commissioner L. A. Cobb. In the past twelve years the average increase in each year has been only a little more than two million dollars.—Island Pond Herald.

## Not a Joke.

Perhaps the Journal's contemporaries will recall the fact that it called attention, several months ago, to the fact that Hon. Zed Stanton's candidacy was by no means the joke it seemed to several witty paragraphs. The fact that Stanton is now being mentioned as the one man who can defeat Proctor in a square fight is renewed proof of the fact that the Washington county candidate is a serious factor in the situation. The Journal's belief is that many Vermonters would turn with visible relief from the Proctor idea if the ex-lieutenant-governor would agree to be a candidate. One thing's certain—the state does not want Proctor.—Montpelier Journal.

## The Health of Woodstock.

Woodstock reported more deaths than births in 1907. This is not the only town in Vermont in which the birth rate fell behind, but the local record was the first to be noted by an observant press and the comments have been in words of sympathetic surprise and good natured criticism. "Strangely enough, too," remarks the contemporary. "Woodstock is the town where city people go for health in the winter, as well as in the summer time. Apparently Woodstock people need to take some of their own medicine."

This and other comments Woodstock can answer that it is still a health resort, a place of prolonged life and happiness. Here is a partial analysis of the vital statistics of 1907, given The Age by Health Officer Sparrow.

Of the 44 deaths in town, 5 were of persons over 90 years of age; one was 90. Seven were between 85 and 90. To were between 80 and 85. Eleven were between 70 and 80. Nine were between 60 and 70. There were but ten deaths of persons under 30 years of age, and the average age was 64.

As the paragraph above quoted suggests, Woodstock is the one place in

Vermont to which people come for health in winter and in summer. These figures show that they find it.—Woodstock Spirit of the Age.

## Increase of Juvenile Crime.

The startling revelation on juvenile crime in Rutland, whereby it develops that scores of petty burglaries, covering a period of years, have been systematically perpetrated by an organized band of boys, all under age, impose an obligation upon the community to deeply consider the conditions in endeavor to formulate some corrective remedy to lessen the extent of such criminality and improve the morals of some of these unfortunate youngsters who are at war with society and have thus early in life begun to prey upon humanity.

Juvenile crime is not only evidently increasing in Rutland, but is increasing throughout the country. Boys are living too fast. They are trying to ape the ways of some of their elders and the example they are following are in no sense conducive to a high degree of morality. As a result the country is becoming overrun with a crop of young criminals that are far advanced in crime, much further than is by many good people believed possible.

Unless some corrective remedy is found and speedily applied, we shall have grown into manhood within a few years a class of boys that will swell our adult criminal ranks in a manner that will be anything but a desirable addition to our citizenship.

Incidentally, in the conditions developed, there is the best of evidence afforded of the need locally for a young men's reading and recreation building of some kind to occupy the time and attention of our boys who now roam the streets evenings with nothing to their advantage to do. An idle boy is the devil's own prey. A boy actively engaged, amid uplifting surroundings, at games or athletics is out of harm's way.—Rutland Herald.

## JINGLES AND JESTS.

## He Found It Topsy-turvy.

"When you move out of this room," said the agent of the office building, "I shall expect you to leave in as good order as you found it."

"That won't be hard to do," answered Mr. McGee. "I—er—was pretty well piped when I moved in here."—Chicago Tribune.

## An Unintentional Distinction.

Mrs. Galloway—Be sure and come, Mr. Gibbs. I promise you you shall meet, oh, quite a number of pretty women.

Gibbs—How can I refuse you, my dear madam? It will not be for the pretty women, however, but for you that I shall come.—Town and Country.

## Een Napoli.

Heer een Noo York, where am I? Seemee I am lands la's July. All gray an' o'ly coo da sky. An' coo as eet can be. But skee wee workin' de done, I can forget how shines da sun. Een Napoli.

But O! w'en pass da boy dat sal da violets, an' I can smell. How sweet dey are, I no can tel. How seek my heart coo be. I no can work, how much I try. But only seek an' wonder why I could not just leave an' die. Een Napoli.

## Catholic Standard and Times.

## An Undesired Reminder.

"You must not think that the mere possession of great wealth makes you a man of consequence," answered Mr. Cumroo. "Mother and the girls let me understand it every time we give a party."—Washington Star.

## Why Tigers Can't Climb.

The tale is of the Tiger and his Aunt who is the Cat. They dwell among the jungles in the shade of Ararat. The cat were very clever, but the Tiger, he was slow. He couldn't catch the Nilgai or the heavy Buffalo. His claws were long and pointed, but his wit was short and blunt. He begged his wife to instruct him how to hunt.

The cat on the pottens stole along the quiet hill. "Now this," she whispered, "Nephew, is the way to stalk your kill."

The cat drew up her hunches on the mossy forest couch. "And this," she said, "my Nephew, is the proper way to crouch." She hunched through the shadows like a missile from a sling. "And that, my loving Nephew, is the only way to spring!"

Oh, hungry was the Nephew, and the Aunt was sleek and plump. The Tiger at his Teacher made his first apprentice jump. He did it very ably but the Puss, more quick that he, Escaped his clenching talons and ran up a cedar tree.

To pur upon the snarler from the bough on which she sat. "How glad I am, my Nephew, that I didn't teach you that!"

And since that curtailed lesson in the rudiments of crime, No enterprising Tiger has discovered how to climb.

St. Nicholas.

## Puzzling.

"Deen language of yours," said the visitor from Italy, "een vera queer." "How?" asked the American.

"I say to my friend Giuseppe, 'You are getting on well?' an' he say, 'Yes I am well off now.'"—Catholic Standard and Times.

## They Both Went.

First Mother (reading letter from son at college)—Henry's letters always send me to the dictionary. Second Mother (resignedly)—That's nothing! Jack's always send me to the bank.—Puck.

## The Horrid Thing.

There was a man from the Bahamas. He went out to his pajamas. The folks all took fright. At the unwanted sight, Especially the girls and their maams. —New York Life.

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## BIG GRIST AT FINISH.

Windsor County Court Ended Its Present Term.

Woodstock, Feb. 10.—Windsor county court adjourned for the term at 9:30 o'clock Saturday morning.

In the case of Herbert A. Davis of Reading, charged with setting fire to his barn, in which the jury disagreed, bail was reduced from \$2,500 to \$1,000.

In the case of John Farrell vs Joseph S. Bean, and trustee, a broken covenant being charged, judgment was entered for the plaintiff for the value of premises at the time of the eviction, including the sum of \$325.10 and costs equal to interest to date.

William Smith was fined \$300 and costs with an alternative sentence in the house of correction at Rutland, on the charge of selling liquor illegally in the town of Royalton. The case was taken to the supreme court.

In the case of Alfred Russell of Windsor, found not guilty of selling liquor illegally, Russell was brought in to court on a charge of contempt of court for talking to a jurymen concerning his case. He is a young man, and it is thought that he was ignorant of the law and the properties. He was fined \$50 and ordered to be confined in jail until the fine was paid, or he was released to go to his home and try to raise money with which to pay the fine.

Dr. Samuel J. Allen of White River Junction, found guilty of furnishing an illegal prescription to obtain liquor, was fined \$400 for a first offense.

In the case of Gilbert A. Davis vs. William S. Perry and trustee, it was directed that the trustee be discharged. The town of Windsor is involved in the case.

In the companion case of Gilbert A. Davis vs. William S. Perry, replying, the plea was granted for the orator with costs.

The case of John C. Coolidge vs. Warren R. Taylor and trustee, on the docket of the courts for many years, goes again to the supreme court, the verdict being for the plaintiff. The costs of the plaintiff are \$308 but only \$300 has been allowed. The fund in the hands of trustees amounts to \$346.24. Of this \$36.21 is available for taxes and \$300 for costs.

A divorce was granted Irving C. Allen from Arrie C. Allen on a charge of adultery and one to Samuel N. Tucker from Minnie Tucker on similar grounds. A divorce was granted to Fanny Spencer from Dayton Spencer for intolerable severity and custody of a minor child was granted.

## LIEUT. WILLARD RESIGNS.

Leaves Company M Because of Ill Health.—Was 11 Years in Service.

Burlington, Feb. 10.—W. E. Willard, first lieutenant of Company M, V. N. G., has resigned and his resignation has been accepted by Governor Proctor. Lieutenant Willard asks for his release from the company on account of ill health and because he had not time to devote to the duties of the office.

His record in the company extends over a period of 11 years and is a creditable one in every respect. He went to Champaign in 1899 with the company as quartermaster sergeant and upon its reorganization in 1899 was made first sergeant, and was afterward, commissary sergeant on the staff. He was promoted to 2nd lieutenant Feb. 19, 1901.

An election will be held soon to fill the vacancy. Second lieutenant J. M. Ashley will likely be chosen.

## FORM NEW PACKING COMPANY.

Bellows Falls Men Build Plant to Employ 25 Men.

Bellows Falls, Feb. 10.—S. J. Cray and H. S. Davis has formed a company with \$50,000 capital paid in for the purpose of slaughtering packing and pickling hams, to be known as the Vermont packing company. The expect to build a cement building 100 by 60 feet, three stories high, on the line of the Rutland railroad. They intend to slaughter five carloads per week at the beginning and will employ 25 men. They will hire some building until they can build a modern building that will pass government inspection.

## A Remarkable Medical Man.

"Dat," said the doctor, "your case is a very peculiar and baffling one, and if you'll agree I'd like to call in another physician. Two heads are better than one, you know."

"O! agree," returned the willing patient. "Sure, th' felly must be worth seein'. Bring in th' doctor wid two heads!"—Woman's Home Companion.

## A Geth.

"So you are learning to enjoy Wag nerian music."

"Yes," answered Mr. Cumroo. "I like something positive one way or another. If I can't have absolute quiet, I want as much noise as possible."—Washington Star.

## SCRATCHING FOR SAFETY.

An Instance of Finding Fun in the Midst of Disaster.

The laugh often comes in the very face of danger. Privations and perils cannot check the response to the comical. An instance of finding fun in the midst of disaster is told by Captain T. C. Morten in the "Southern Historical Papers." The Confederate picket line was stationed on a sandy bottom near a creek.

John Ford, one of the men on duty, was very plucky. He was seated near an uprooted tree and could be plainly seen by all his company. Suddenly a large mortar shell fell, unexploded, in the sand about four feet from him, the fuse smoking and sputtering.

John took in the situation at a glance. He argued to himself that the shell would burst before he could get up and run away, so that the safest thing he could do would be to get into the ground as fast as possible. With the utmost rapidity he began to work down into the sand with hands, feet and head. The men watched the proceedings, shouting:

"Scratch, John, scratch! She's going off!"

It was an exciting spectacle. Never was a man more in earnest. The sand all about was in commotion, and in the few seconds the firing fuse gave him John burrowed like a great gopher till nothing but the bump of his back was visible as the loose sand settled above him.

The explosion came with a tremendous jar, which shook the ground and sent hundreds of pieces of iron singing through the air. Every one held his breath, expecting to see poor John blown into atoms. When the smoke and dust blew away, it was seen that Ford's head was still on his shoulders. He looked cautiously up and, seeing all was right, sang out a hearty "Who-ee!" as cheerily as if he had tread a coon instead of having been face to face with death. A cheer and a laugh ran all along the line.

## INGENIOUS CIPHER.

The Letter That Brought Freedom to Sir John Trevelyan.

During the great rebellion Sir John Trevelyan, a distinguished cavalier, was made prisoner and locked up in Colchester castle. Sir Charles Lucas and Sir George Lisle had just been made examples of as a warning to "malignants" and Trevelyan had every reason to expect a similar end. As he awaited his doom he was startled by the entrance of the jailer, who handed him a letter.

"May't do thee good," growled the fellow. "It has been well looked to before it was permitted to come to you."

Sir John took the letter and the jailer left him his lamp by which to read it. Worthy Sir John—Hope, that is ye best comfort of ye afflicted, cannot much, I fear me, help you now. That I wolde say to you, in this only: if ever I may be able to requite that I do owe you, stand not upon asking of me. "The not much I can do; but what I can do, bee thou verie sure I will!"

If ordinary men fear it, it frights not you, accounting it for a high honour, to have such a reward of your loyalty. Pray yet that you may be spared this sore bitter cup. We pray that you may be, I fear not that you will grudge any suffering. Only if the submission you can turn them away, 'tis the part of a wise man. Tell me, an if you can, to do for you any thing that you wolde have done. The general goes back on Wednesday. Restinge your servant to command.—R. T.

Now, this letter was written according to a preconceived cipher. Every third letter after a stop was to tell. In this way Sir John made out, "Panel at east end of chapel slides." On the following evening the prisoner begged to be allowed to pass an hour of private devotion in the chapel. By means of a bribe this was accomplished. Before the hour had expired the chapel was empty. The bird had flown.—London Tit-Bits.

## Had to Keep Ideas.

"Why don't you get married?" "Oh, it would be absolutely fatal to my literary work."

"What do you write?"

"Love stories."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

When a quarrel is the breakfast food look out for marital indigestion.—Manchester Union.

## Two Powers.

Tommy—Pop, what is the difference between firmness and obsequious? Tommy's Pop—Merely the difference between will power and won't power. My son.—Philadelphia Record.

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## BURIED IN CEMENT.

The Story of an Arab Boy Who Renounced Mohammedanism.

According to history, there was born about the year 1520 an Arab boy named Geromino. He was captured in infancy by the Spanish garrison at Iran, and when about eight years old he escaped from his captors and went back to his family, living as a Mohammedan until the age of twenty-two. He then voluntarily returned to Iran and resumed the Christian life which he had adopted previously when in the hands of the Spanish authorities.

A few years later he went on a coasting raid with a party of Spaniards, but the raiders were themselves captured by a Moorish corsair and brought to Algiers. Here the attempt was made to convert him to Mohammedanism, but he persistently refused to embrace that faith, so that he was tried and condemned to die. His hands were tied behind his back, and he was cast alive, face downward, into a block of concrete then being prepared for the Fort des Vingt Quatre Heures, then building. Careful note was taken of the spot by Haido, a Spanish Benedictine missionary to Algiers, who prayed the time might come when the Lord would pave the way for his exhumation and Christian burial. In

1853 the French found it necessary to destroy the fort, and the data left by Haido were found to be correct, for the designated block of concrete on being cut open disclosed the bones of Geromino and the cavity left by his body. The bones were removed Dec. 27, 1853, and given Christian burial, and they now rest in a massive stone sarcophagus in the cathedral. A plaster cast was made of the cavity and afterwards photographed.—Cement Age.

## Defined.

Burglar: Trust Manager—"You will be required to turn night into day, to throw aside all sentiment, to enter the houses of the best families regardless of their feelings, to act the hypocrite and, if necessary, to go to jail. Applicant—"Um! You don't want an ordinary burglar. What you want is a newspaper reporter.—Life.

## Her Thoughts.

Near to her cheek his lips he brought. His wish—he gently spoke it. "No, no," she said, but this she thought: "Why don't the stupid take it?"—Kansas City Journal.

## Important.

He—Darling, will you be my wife? She—Have you a recommendation from your fiancée?

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